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SUBJ: GATT COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 25

REF: A. STATE 226709, B. GENVA 7102

FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY OF GATT COUNCIL ACTIONS SEPTEMBER 25. WASHINGTON ACTION REQUIRED ON PARA 3 BELOW.

1. U.S.- CANADIAN EGG DISPUTE. GENEVA 7332 AND SUBSEQUENT SEP-TELS.
2. BOP CONSULTATIONS WITH PORTUGAL. REPORT ADOPTED.
3. EC-GREECE ASSOCIATION. WP ESTABLISHED WITH TAN AS CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERSHIP OPEN TO THOSE WISHING PARTICIPATE; U.S. IS MEMBER. TERMS OF REFERENCE: "TO EXAMINE IN LIGHT OF RELEVANT PROVISIONS

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OF GATT THE ADDITIONAL PROTOCOL BETWEEN EC AND GREECE CONSEQUENT

UPON NEW EC MEMBERSHIP AS WELL AS INTERIM AGREEMENT THEREON AND REPORT TO COUNCIL". ACTION REQUIRED: QUESTIONS ARE DUE TO GATT SECRETARIAT BY NOV 10. (NOTE: WE SUGGEST U.S. QUESTIONS FOLLOW THOSE WE ASKED ON EC-TURKEY SUPPLEMENTAL PROTOCOL AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE.)

4. BRAZIL INCREASE IN BOUND DUTIES. BRAZIL, RECALLING U.S. AND EC CALL AT PRVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING FOR WAIVER APPLICATION, SAID THEY NOW ABLE REQUEST WAIVER IN ACCORD GATT ART XXVIII, PARAS 1-3, AND MAKE REQUEST ON BASIS THAT IN NEGOTIATIONS PERTINENT PROVISIONS PART IV WILL APPLY. SECRETARIAT WILL DRAFT WAIVER FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT COUNCIL. JAPAN SAID THEY JOIN U.S. AND EC IN STATING THEY HAVE CONCESSIONS IMPAIRED AND ASKED RAPID NEGOTIATIONS. BRAZIL SAID NEW ADD TO L/4191 ANNOUNCES NEW WITHDRAWAL NOTICES. WILL POUCH WHEN RECEIVED. (NOTE: WE PRESENTED U.S. VIEWS CONTAINED PARA 2 REFTEL (A) DIRECTLY TO BRAZILIANS PRIOR TO COUNCIL.)

5. OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS.

(A) BRAZIL - PRIOR IMPORTS DEPOSITS. BRAZIL ANNOUNCED JULY 16 MEASURES WHEREBY 100 PERCENT IMPORT DEPOSIT, REFUNDABLE AFTER SIX MONTHS, WILL APPLY TO GOODS NOW BEARING DUTIES OF 37 PERCENT AND OVER PLUS OTHR SPECIFIED GOODS IRRESPECTIV OF DUTIES. CITED IMPORT SURGE AS REASON. U.S. SAID NORMAL PRACTICE IN SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES WAS REFER MATTER TO BOP COMMITTEE. COUNCIL TO REVERT TO MATTER AT NEXT SESSION AFTR FORMAL NOTIFICATION CIRCULATED.

(B) U.S. IMPORT TRADE ACTIONS. GENEVA 7334.

(C) GREECE - TARIFF IMPAIRMENT. AUSTRIA SAID CONCESSION ON ITEM 69.02-A IN GREEK SCHEDULE BEING IMPAIRED SINCE SEPTEMBER 17. GREECE PROMISED LOOK INTO MATTER.DALE

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